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## Feast of the Holy Family (Year B) – 27<sup>th</sup> December 2020

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3 Psalm – He, the Lord, is our God. He remembers his covenant for ever. 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 Gospel – Luke 2:22-40

On behalf of the Capuchin fraternity I would like to wish all of you a very Happy and Blessed Christmas, full of God's loving and comforting presence. During this difficult time with further restrictions affecting all of us in so many different ways, we are strengthened by the gift of the Child who wishes to remain with us. This Sunday as we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, we pray that all families will be renewed by the Spirit of love and understanding, and that you may all be blessed with peace.

At the moment our church remains open where we bring all your intentions into the presence of God during the celebration of the Mass. We are grateful to each of you for your support of our community throughout the year, for your presence among us, for your prayers, your gifts, your cards, your donations. To all the cleaners, readers, extraordinary eucharistic ministers, choir members, altar servers, stewards, flower arrangers, organists, catechists, parish council, the collection counters, various group leaders, and to all who come to our church simply to pray: May God reward you for your example and service to the whole community, and a big THANK YOU for helping us celebrate this Christmas. Your service may often go unnoticed, but it is only a sign of how well you do it, and what you do is essential to the life of this parish.

Let us spend some time this week thanking God for this past year, and implore His blessing upon the New Year 2021.

**Holy Communion 2021** - If your child is in Yr.3 – Yr.6 of primary school and you would like them to be prepared for their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion in 2021, then please go to our Sacraments page on the website and fill out the relevant form - alternatively please contact the parish priest. You have until the end of this year to apply.

**Confirmation 2021** - If you would like to sign your child up for our Confirmation programme, please go to our Sacraments page and fill out the relevant form – alternatively please contact the parish priest. You have until the end of this year to apply.

## **Mass Times and Intentions**

Sunday 27th December

9.00am Margaret Anne R.I.P. & Kevin

(40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

11.00am Christy & Winnie Joyce R.I.P.

5.30pm Parishioners

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> December

**Feast of the Holy Innocents** 

9.00am Br. Paul's intentions

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> December Feast of St. Thomas Becket

9.00am Kieran Hughes

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> December

9.00am Holy Souls

Thursday 31st December

9.00am Vocations 11.45pm Thanksgiving

Friday 1st December

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

9.00am Helen & Johnny Boy Collins 11.00am Jimmie, Geraldine & family

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

9.00am Friars & Benefactors

6.30pm Ruth Joes

Please pray for those members of our community who are sick. If you are aware of somebody in our community who is sick and in need of our prayers, please ask them to contact the parish or let us have their contact details.